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COLUMBIA MAN INDICTED FOR CRACK COCAINE

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. – Todd P. Graves, United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri, announced that a Columbia, Mo., man was indicted by a federal grand jury today for being in possession with intent to distribute crack cocaine.

Dale Ganaway Lucas, Jr., 20, of Columbia, was charged in an indictment returned by a federal grand jury in Jefferson City.

The federal indictment alleges that **Lucas** was in possession with intent to distribute five grams or more of crack cocaine on Nov. 17, 2004, in Boone County, Mo.

Graves cautioned that the charges contained in the indictment are simply accusations, and not evidence of guilt. Evidence supporting the charges must be presented to a federal trial jury, whose duty is to determine guilt or innocence.

This case is being prosecuted by Special Assistant U.S. Attorney C. Douglas Shull. It was investigated by the Columbia, Mo., Police Department and MUSTANG (the Mid-Missouri Unified Strike Team and Narcotics Group).

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